



Cedar Hills Landfill

TRUE OR FALSE Quiz



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True or False

Landfills are designed to protect the environment.



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True or False

Water that takes up particles and dissolved materials as it passes through the garbage is called leachate.



True or False

The Cedar Hills Landfill generates methane gas, all of which is flared into the atmosphere.



True or False

The landfill creates enough gas to power 27,000 homes in the area for the next 30 years.



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True or False

Collecting landfill gas and converting it to reusable fuel keeps greenhouse gases out of the atmosphere.



True or False

The Cedar Hills landfill, which opened in 1965, was originally scheduled to close in 2012.



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True or False

The landfill spans 920 acres, all of which are used to store garbage.



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True or False

Garbage is trucked to the landfill from a system of transfer stations around the county.



True or False

Once garbage is deposited at the landfill, it sits there without further processing.



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True or False

Approximately 70 percent of items sent to the landfill could be recycled or composted.



True or False

By keeping as much as possible out of the landfill through waste prevention, recycling, and composting, King County residents can extend the life of the landfill even beyond the anticipated closure date of 2025.



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